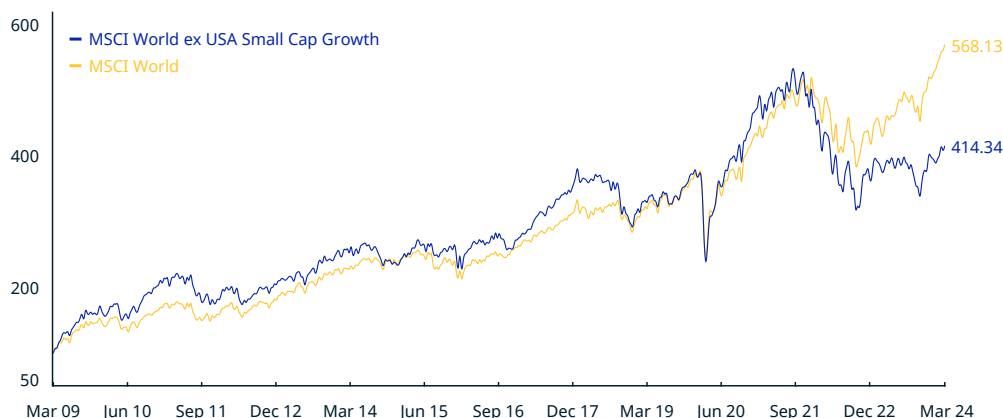


# MSCI World ex USA Small Cap Growth Index (USD)

The **MSCI World ex USA Small Cap Growth Index** captures small cap securities exhibiting overall growth style characteristics across the 22 Developed Markets countries\* excluding the US. The growth investment style characteristics for index construction are defined using five variables: long-term forward EPS growth rate, short-term forward EPS growth rate, current internal growth rate and long-term historical EPS growth trend and long-term historical sales per share growth trend.

For a complete description of the index methodology, please see [Index methodology - MSCI](#).

## CUMULATIVE INDEX PERFORMANCE – NET RETURNS (USD) (MAR 2009 – MAR 2024)



## ANNUAL PERFORMANCE (%)

Year	MSCI World ex USA Small Cap Growth	MSCI World
2023	10.57	23.79
2022	-27.02	-18.14
2021	8.83	21.82
2020	22.93	15.90
2019	28.04	27.67
2018	-17.78	-8.71
2017	34.27	22.40
2016	0.86	7.51
2015	9.92	-0.87
2014	-4.84	4.94
2013	23.32	26.68
2012	15.42	15.83
2011	-14.79	-5.54
2010	28.47	11.76

## INDEX PERFORMANCE – NET RETURNS (%) (MAR 29, 2024)

	1 Mo	3 Mo	1 Yr	YTD	ANNUALIZED				Since May 31, 1994	FUNDAMENTALS (MAR 29, 2024)			
					3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr			Div Yld (%)	P/E	P/E Fwd	P/BV
MSCI World ex USA Small Cap Growth	3.05	2.26	7.24	2.26	-4.16	4.63	4.81	4.39		1.76	22.19	17.88	2.30
MSCI World	3.21	8.88	25.11	8.88	8.60	12.07	9.39	7.78		1.82	21.97	18.72	3.36

## INDEX RISK AND RETURN CHARACTERISTICS (MAR 29, 2024)

	Turnover (%) <sup>1</sup>	ANNUALIZED STD DEV (%) <sup>2</sup>			SHARPE RATIO <sup>2,3</sup>			Since May 31, 1994	MAXIMUM DRAWDOWN	
		3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr		(%)	Period YYYY-MM-DD
MSCI World ex USA Small Cap Growth	32.62	19.80	20.69	17.13	-0.25	0.22	0.28	0.19	63.21	2007-10-31–2009-03-09
MSCI World	2.29	17.04	18.07	14.91	0.42	0.61	0.58	0.40	57.82	2007-10-31–2009-03-09

<sup>1</sup> Last 12 months

<sup>2</sup> Based on monthly net returns data

<sup>3</sup> Based on NY FED Overnight SOFR from Sep 1 2021 & on ICE LIBOR 1M prior that date

\* Developed Markets countries include: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the UK.

The MSCI World ex USA Small Cap Growth Index was launched on Jun 01, 2007. Data prior to the launch date is back-tested test (i.e. calculations of how the index might have performed over that time period had the index existed). There are frequently material differences between back-tested performance and actual results. Past performance – whether actual or back-tested – is no indication or guarantee of future performance.

## INDEX CHARACTERISTICS

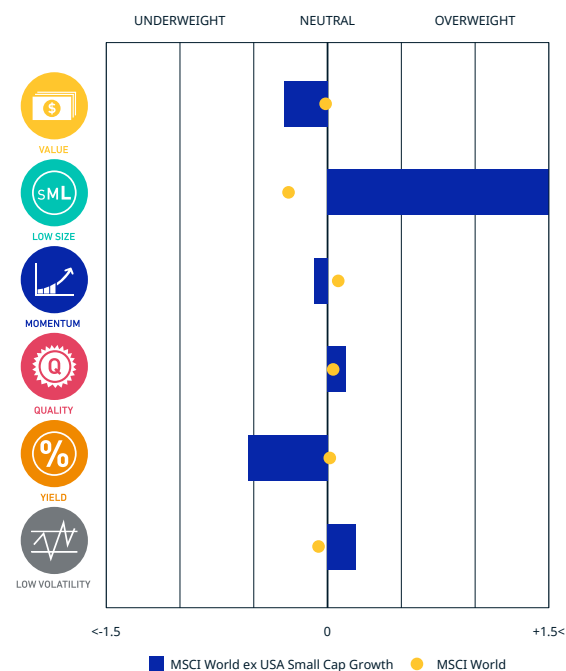
MSCI World ex USA Small Cap Growth	
Number of Constituents	1,350
Mkt Cap (USD Millions)	
Index	1,490,510.43
Largest	8,414.51
Smallest	44.38
Average	1,104.08
Median	711.86

## TOP 10 CONSTITUENTS

	Country	Float Adj Mkt Cap (USD Billions)	Index Wt. (%)	Sector
EBARA CORP	JP	8.41	0.56	Industrials
ASICS CORP	JP	7.79	0.52	Cons Discr
SNC-LAVALIN GROUP	CA	7.19	0.48	Industrials
B&M EUROPEAN VALUE RTL	GB	6.91	0.46	Cons Discr
WEIR GROUP	GB	6.63	0.44	Industrials
MARKS & SPENCER GROUP	GB	6.61	0.44	Cons Staples
DIPLOMA	GB	6.30	0.42	Industrials
HOWDEN JOINERY GROUP	GB	6.29	0.42	Industrials
IMI	GB	5.99	0.40	Industrials
NEXTDC	AU	5.98	0.40	Info Tech
Total		68.11	4.57	

## FACTORS - KEY EXPOSURES THAT DRIVE RISK AND RETURN

## MSCI FACTOR BOX



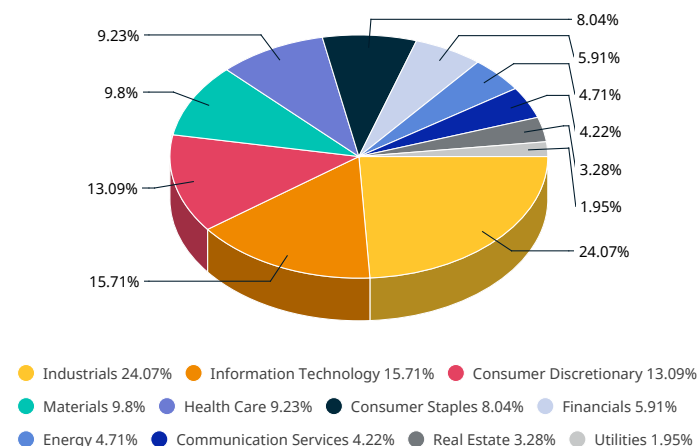
## MSCI FaCS

- VALUE**  
Relatively Inexpensive Stocks
- LOW SIZE**  
Smaller Companies
- MOMENTUM**  
Rising Stocks
- QUALITY**  
Sound Balance Sheet Stocks
- YIELD**  
Cash Flow Paid Out
- LOW VOLATILITY**  
Lower Risk Stocks

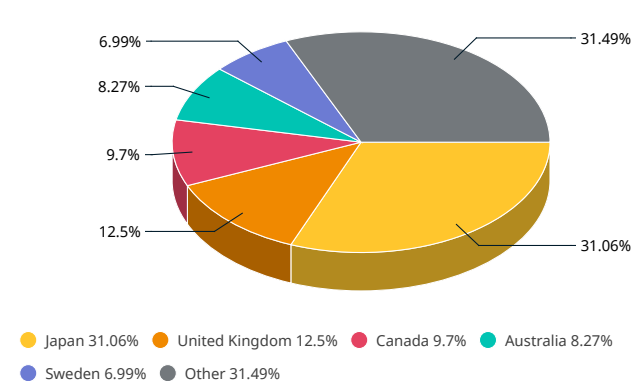
MSCI FaCS provides absolute factor exposures relative to a broad global index - MSCI ACWI IMI.

Neutral factor exposure (FaCS = 0) represents MSCI ACWI IMI.

## SECTOR WEIGHTS



## COUNTRY WEIGHTS



**MSCI FACTOR BOX AND FaCS FRAMEWORK (Please refer to complete description of the MSCI FaCS methodology [here](#))**

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